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### Subpart A—8(a) Business Development

#### PROVISIONS OF GENERAL APPLICABILITY

#### § 124.1 What is the purpose of the 8(a) Business Development program?

Sections 8(a) and 7(j) of the Small Business Act authorize a Minority Small Business and Capital Ownership Development program (designated the 8(a) Business Development or “8(a) BD” program for purposes of the regulations in this part). The purpose of the 8(a) BD program is to assist eligible small disadvantaged business concerns compete in the American economy through business development.

#### § 124.2 What length of time may a business participate in the 8(a) BD program?

A Participant receives a program term of nine years from the date of SBA’s approval letter certifying the concern’s admission to the program. The Participant must maintain its program eligibility during its tenure in the program and must inform SBA of any changes that would adversely affect its program eligibility. The nine year program term may be shortened only by termination, early graduation (including voluntary early graduation) or voluntary withdrawal as provided for in this subpart.

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#### § 124.3 What definitions are important in the 8(a) BD program?

*Alaska Native*, as defined by the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1602), means a citizen of the